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## In the Claims:

Claims 1-60 (Cancelled)

61, stepper (Currently Amended) An isolated, recombinant polypeptide comprising a member selected from the group consisting of

- (a) the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:2; and
- (b) an immunogenic polypeptide comprising a fragment sequence of at least 15
   contiguous amino acids that matches an aligned contiguous segment of SEQ ID

  NO:2;

wherein the <u>immunogenic fragment</u> isolated, recombinant polypeptide, when administered to a subject in a suitable composition which can include an adjuvant, or a suitable carrier coupled to the polypeptide, induces an antibody or T-cell mediated immune response <u>that recognizes the</u> to a-polypeptide having the sequence of SEQ ID NO:2.

62. (Previously Presented): The isolated, recombinant polypeptide of claim 61 wherein the polypeptide is according to (a).

63 (Previously Presented): The isolated, recombinant polypeptide of claim 61, wherein the polypeptide is according to (b).

64. (Currently Amended): The isolated, recombinant polypeptide of claim 61, wherein the immunogenic fragment of (b) comprises at least 20 contiguous amino acids of SEO ID NO:2, wherein the immunogenic fragment, when administered to a subject in a suitable composition which can include an adjuvant, or a suitable carrier coupled to the polypeptide, induces an antibody or T-cell mediated immune response that recognizes the polypeptide SEQ ID NO:2.

65. (Previously Presented): The isolated, recombinant polypeptide of claim 61, wherein the isolated polypeptide consists of SEQ ID NO:2.

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66 (Previously Presented): A fusion protein comprising the isolated, recombinant polypeptide of Claim 61.

67. (Previously Presented) An immunogenic composition comprising the isolated, recombinant polypeptide of Claim 6.1 and a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier.

68. (Previously Presented) The immunogenic composition of Claim 67, wherein said immunogenic composition further comprises at least one other *Moraxella catarrhalis* antigen.

69. (New): The isolated, recombinant polypeptide of claim 63, wherein the 15 contiguous amino acids comprise amino acids 790-804 of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein the immunogenic fragment, when administered to a subject in a suitable composition which can include an adjuvant, or a suitable carrier coupled to the polypeptide, induces an antibody or T-cell mediated immune response that recognizes the polypeptide SEQ ID NO:2.

70. (New): The isolated, recombinant polypeptide of claim 64, wherein the 20 contiguous amino acids of SEQ ID NO:2 comprise amino acids 676-691 of SEQ ID NO:2, wherein the immunogenic fragment, when administered to a subject in a suitable composition which can include an adjuvant, or a suitable carrier coupled to the polypeptide, induces an antibody or T-cell mediated immune response that recognizes the polypeptide SEQ ID NO:2.

(New): An isolated polypeptide consisting of the amino acid sequence SEQ ID NO:2.